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Legal Action Pondered In Melee at Ft. Bragg

FT. BRAGG, N.C., July 21 (UPI)—Dennis Eisman, a defense attorney for an Army captan charged with murdering his wife and two children, today indicated he might take legal action against an Army investigator he charged had thrown him to the ground.

Eisman, of Philadelphia, Pa., wore a neck brace as the hearing resumed for Capt. Jeffrey MacDonald, a Green Beret doctor accused of knifing his wife and two daughters to deaht Feb. 17.

Eisman charged that an Army Criminal Investigation Division (CID) agent threw him to the ground Monday when he demanded to know why MacDonald was being taken into custody. The Army wanted a sample of the captain's hair.

At least two reporters who witnessed the incident said that Eisman was hurled to the ground by the CID agent, but the Army said in a statement that Eisman "either fell or threw himself to the ground."

Eisman said he had X-rays of his neck Monday night, and was told he had either a "muscle strain or a muscle sprain."

He said he was forced to wear a brace for two months in 1968 after being injured

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Testimony continued behind closed doors in the case of MacDonald, but Eisman told newsmen that a doctor, Severt Jacobson, testified that MacDonald had been given a substantial dose of sedatives and pain killers before CID agents questioned him the morning after his wife and children were slain.

It was at this questioning that MacDonald told authorities his home was invaded by four "hippies," including a blonde girl chanting "acid is groovy."